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METHOD OF DETECTING BENDS ON A ROAD AND SYSTEM

IMPLEMENTING SAME

PETITION TO ACCEPT COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.84(b)(2)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents BOX PATENT APPLICATION Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.84(b)(2), this petition is submitted to obtain the acceptance of color and associated black and white photographs as formal drawings in this application.

Accordingly, enclosed herewith are:

- an authorization to charge the fee set forth in §1.17(h); i)
- three (3) sets of color photographs for examination, copying, and archival ii) purposes; and
- a set of black and white photocopies that accurately depict, to the extent iii) possible, the subject matter shown in the color drawing.

A Supplemental Preliminary Amendment to the application submitted herewith amends the instant application to contain the following language as the first paragraph immediately following the title "Brief Description of the Drawings" as required in $\S1.84(a)(2)(iv)$:

> The file of this patent contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee.

It is respectfully submitted that the color photographs and the associated black and white photographs are the only practical medium for fully, clearly and concisely illustrating and disclosing the claimed invention. The black and white images are photographs of a natural image of an actual road and the color photographs are images resulting from a processing of the associated image shown in the black and white photographs. The color and black and white photographs are necessary because they depict more than may be had with reference to the same as drawings or, in the case of the color photographs, black and white photographs or drawings, particularly when the statutory requirement of setting forth a "full, clear, concise" description of the invention as required by 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶1 is considered. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that color photographs are needed in this application.

In the event that any fee or further fee is found to be due for consideration of this petition, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 1948-4830.

Respectfully submitted,

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